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I just wanted to let you know how disappointed I am in the settlement you made with Microsoft. I feel like you have snatched defeat from the jaws of victory. While the settlement contains some good ideas (like not letting them control the boot-loader), it doesn't go far enough and it doesn't outline what the consequences are if Microsoft violates it. I also believe that a completely independant (from Microsoft) should oversee Microsoft's behavior. Microsoft's behavior has stiffeled innovation in the industry for years and put far too many companies out of business with their practices. They have damaged the computer industry and hurt the public in the process. They should have to make amends for what they have done and have extremely tight restrictions on what they can do in the future. My only hope at this point is that the Judge turns down the settlement. What you should do is support the nine states proposal, now that has some teeth in it.

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